



# **Pre-K 4 SA**

## **Major Areas of Focus**

April 12, 2013

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- Budget Preparation
- Development of Two Initial Model Centers
- Site Selection for Additional Pre-K 4 SA Education Centers
- Curriculum Development
- Transportation
- Student Enrollment Process
- Child Nutrition Services
- Employee Recruitment
- Independent Program Evaluation
- Public Awareness and Grassroots Campaign
- Website Development & Maintenance
- Pre-K 4 SA Education Center Opening Activities

# Budget Preparation

- The Office of Management and Budget is in the final stages of developing the budget
- Budget will be presented to the Board at the April 16<sup>th</sup> meeting
- City Council Agenda schedule includes considerations of Board approved budgets in May 2013
  - Council B session Review: 5/29/2013
  - Council A session Approval: 6/6/2013



# Development of Two Initial Pre-K 4 SA Education Centers

- The construction of the facilities are on target to be completed by August 1<sup>st</sup> deadline
  - Southside: Four 5 x 5 windows being cut in on the front side of the building where training rooms are located. Roofing work still ongoing. Parking lot curbs and walks are being cast
  - Northside: Wall framing underway and being conducted in phases. Coordination with ITSD currently underway to install conduit runs
- CIMS continuing to work with Collaborative for Children on classroom furniture
- Broker contract being finalized. Insurance applications are being completed.



# Site Selection for Additional Pre-K 4 SA Education Centers

- Over 60 sites identified for East and West education centers
- Process for selection to go to Committee & Board on 4/16/2013
- RFP drafted for developer to provide leased sites for education centers
- Timeframe for selection is May/June 2013 to provide for adequate construction time



# Curriculum Development

- The Curriculum Review Committee evaluating nine proposals submitted
- Shortlist of vendors being developed and questions prepared for interviews on 4/20/2013
- Public display of Curriculum Materials will be 4/15-16/2013 at the Central Library
- Target date of 5/10/2013 for recommendation to Academic Readiness Committee
- Target date of 5/21/2013 for recommendation to full Board for approval



# Transportation

- 2<sup>nd</sup> pre-submittal conference held on 4/5/2013 with three vendors in attendance
- Deadline extended to 4/19/2013 for vendors to submit proposals
- Responses to proposals will be evaluated 4/22-29/2013



# Student Enrollment Process

- Staff has finalized locations for the 12 pre-enrollment fairs and the four walk-in locations
- Venues are located within each of the participating school districts
- Pre-Enrollment Fairs are scheduled to occur May 1 -11; May 13 – 31 will be designated as a walk-in enrollment period
- COSA staff will be trained to handle intake at the Pre-Enrollment Fairs
- VIA has agreed to provide transportation to Pre-Enrollment Fairs which will be paid for by Pre-K 4 SA





# Child Nutrition Services

- RFCSP released 4/5/2013 is currently under development
- Pre-submittal conference held on 4/11/2013 with four vendors in attendance
- Responses are due on 5/3/2103



# Employee Recruitment

- Job fairs concluded with over 1,000 attendees
- Director interviews to begin on 4/12/2013
- Teacher interviews will begin on 4/13/2013, with additional interviews on 4/27/2013 and 5/4/2103



# Independent Program Evaluation

- RFP is currently under development
- Academic Readiness Committee and Board to review RFP scope and scoring on 4/16/2013
- Target release date of 4/19/2013



# Public Awareness and Grassroots Campaign

- 1st edition of the monthly Pre-K 4 SA newsletter distributed
- Radio PSAs have been sent to 36 area radio stations
- COX radio and KABBs Focus on South Texas public affairs show have been booked



# Pre-K 4 SA Education Center Opening Activities

- Back to School Fairs
- Grand Opening of Education Centers
- Convocation of Education Centers for staff
- Physicals for students prior to the start of school





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